

WOMEN HAVE BIG FIGHT IN MILLTOWN

Battle One-Sided After Combatant is Struck on Head With Stick of Wood

VICTOR USES A HOT IRON

Helpless Victim Burned With Hot Sad Iron, After Being Struck With Stick

Riot, rampant and ruinous prevailed for a short anxious spell in South Cape Friday morning, when two prominent ladies of that particular section met and settled their differences in physical combat.

Mrs. Hoover, who manages the Southern Hotel felt keenly the loss of one certain red rooster, and it seems that she entertained grave suspicions that said fowl had been appropriated by Mrs. W. R. Dunham who had recently occupied rooms with her husband and family in the hotel building of Mrs. Hoover.

When they chanced to meet Friday morning the chicken question was introduced, and it is said that the accusation was made against Mrs. Dunham that she had guilty knowledge of the disappearance of the greatly missed and much wanted fowl. One word brought on another, until angry passions reached such a height that the infuriated disputants came to a clinch, which was quickly broken. Mrs. Hoover taking advantage of her opportunity is said to have seized a stick of stove wood with which she carelessly carressed the fevered forehead of Mrs. Dunham, and placed said lady in such a state of helplessness that she was powerless to escape.

Mrs. Hoover it is stated seized a hot smoothing iron and inflicted serious burns upon the hand of her helpless victim. In the meantime a crowd assembled and the combatants were separated. Mrs. Hoover returned to her home and Mrs. Dunham is said to have gone to interview her husband who is employed at the box factory. At this time no arrests of either of the parties have been received.

Mrs. Dunham is said to have been bleeding profusely from the injury inflicted with the stick of wood, and appeared to be suffering considerably as a result of the misunderstanding.

SEARCH MADE FOR WHITE SLAVERS

Old Man From Bollinger Co. Discovers Trace of Daughter Who Was Lured From Home

NAMES ARE ON REGISTER

Joined By Male Companion at Cape, Who Left With them When They Went to St. Louis

Friday night an old gentleman called on Mr. Lessem, manager of the Riverview Hotel, and expressed a desire to look over the register that was in use in the hotel in November, 1913. He stated that at about that time his daughter, a young girl, had been lured away from her home in Lutesville, by an older woman, who had enticed her to leave for the purpose of engaging in immoral practices. He stated that the girl and the alleged procurers had returned since, and when taken before the Bollinger County grand jury, the girl testified that she and the older woman had gone to the Cape, where they registered at the Riverview as Helen Smith and Marie Smith, and were accompanied by a man by the name of Powers. She stated that Powers did not register at the Riverview but procured a room at another hotel where he took them later, passing himself as the husband of Marie Smith, the daughter of the gentleman who is now searching the registers. It was also stated that he discovered that on the 20th of October preceding, the same man and older woman had registered at the Riverview as Mr. and Mrs. John Myers. The old gentleman is investigating the registers at the hotels with the hope of verifying the statements made by his daughter before the grand jury. He further stated that his daughter had testified that she and the two alleged white slaves went from the Cape to St. Louis, all of which was denied by the older woman when she was called on to make a statement.

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THE DAILY REPUBLICAN IS CALLED DOWN

Facts Suppressed and Misleading Report Given in Proceedings

FLENTGE IS NOT GUILTY

Honest Judge Willers Observes Injustice—Discharges Prisoner Without Hearing Defense

Reeking in filth, begrimed and belimed with the perjured slobberings of a pre-natal fizzle, the Daily Republican of Thursday's issue served as a wrapper for a package of corruption so foul and putrid that even the carrier boys were forced to hold their noses when making deliveries. The package referred to was the report of the preliminary hearing of A. J. Flentge, and as a conglomeration of misconstructions, defamatory, vicious, evil and underhanded designs, it rests in a class of its own and is emblematic of the journalistic qualities possessed by its editorial department.

The article was rendered worthless as an item of news when truths were withheld that strength might be given to the poison utterances of a designing witness.

Reputable men were assailed in a manner calculated to destroy character and sink them to the same level with the author of the article.

Nothing was overlooked in the wording that would tend to prejudice an unsuspecting reader against the defendant and his attorney, and when at last he was forced to account the discharge of the accused man without the necessity of his offering any testimony, whatever, the author apparently intended as a parting shot of a poor loser, to cast a reflection on the honesty of the court before whom the case was tried.

The fact remains however, that Judge Willers is a man of unquestioned integrity, able and fair in his decisions; and his verdict of acquittal when the state had rested its case, was sufficient assurance to the fair minded people that A. J. Flentge was innocent of the crime he was charged with.

The verdict as given, meeting with the approval of that class of people who stand for justice, should serve as a rebuke to the scurrilous sheet that permitted its columns to be used for such an infamous purpose.

SHORB WINS SUIT AGAINST MORRISON

Gets Judgment For Tax Bill Amounting to About \$80 and Interest

NEW TRIAL ASKED FOR

Plaintiff Claims That But For the Actions of the Daily Republican, Suit Not Necessary

In the case of T. J. Shorb vs. Lawrence Morrison, judgment was rendered in the Common Pleas Court Friday in favor of the plaintiff.

Mr. Shorb was the contractor who did the paving and improvement work on Spanish street, and Mr. Morrison was a property owner along said street. Suit was originally brought in the Circuit Court at Jackson, for the collection of the tax bill, amounting to about \$80. The plaintiff was represented by attorneys Orran Wilson and Edward Drum, and the defendant's attorneys were Judge Edward D. Hays and Senator Lane. The defendant desiring a change of venue, it was agreed between the respective counsel that the case should be brought to the Common Pleas Court in this city, presided over by Judge R. G. Ranney, the defendant agreeing to pay the \$10 docket fee.

Judgment was given for the amount of the claim with interest at the rate of eight per cent, aggregating an amount of more than \$90.

A motion for a new trial was filed, and the case will be continued until the May term at which time arguments will be heard on the motion.

Mr. Shorb in discussing the matter says: he never would have had any trouble or lawsuit if the Republican had told the truth and the facts about the street and if they continue he will make them show their hand. He has notified them that he will rap on them if they do not desist.

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DRURY CASE GOES UP IN THIN AIR

Judge Willers Grows Tired of Frivolous Attempts on Part of Prosecution

FLENTGE DISCHARGED

Defendant Fully Exonerated Without Offering Testimony in His Own Behalf

The Big Burlesque in which Mrs. Ola Drury made such a pronounced hit as a comedian, and in which it was attempted to show A. J. Flentge as the villain, in spite of what appeared to be the results of constant rehearsals given an understudy by the name of Raymond Koch, and the promptings of the heavy man, O. J. Drury, husband of the pretended injured one, had the curtain drawn at the command of Judge Willers, when the first act was finished.

The show referred to was the case of the State of Missouri vs. A. J. Flentge, who was arrested on a criminal charge at the complaint of Ola Drury. The case was taken up in Judge Willers' court Wednesday afternoon, and not being finished on that date was continued to Thursday afternoon, when the Judge realizing the flimsiness of the proof offered and the general instability of the case, dismissed the same at the cost of plaintiff.

From the evidence offered, it was made palpably plain that the defendant was the victim of malicious persecution, and at no time was any testimony offered that would be acceptable as convincing or would even tend to incriminate the defendant in the mind of an unprejudiced listener. The testimony of the various state's witnesses was confusing and contradictory, and it was the general consensus of those present that the statements of the prosecuting witness coupled with her demeanor on the stand, would amply justify the Court in a verdict of acquittal for the defendant.

RURAL SCHOOLS PROGRAM MAY 2

Students From City Schools and Normal Training School Will Participate

A BIG TIME IS EXPECTED

Normal School Band Will Furnish Music in Court House Park Where Parents Will Go

At the meeting of the Agriculture Committee and the Education Committee held at the Commercial Club rooms Friday night. County Superintendent McDonald gave notice that he was going to have his meeting of fifteen rural school in Cape Girardeau on Saturday May 2. He requested Superintendent Crocker of the city schools, to have their pupils participate in the exercises by furnishing the musical parts of the program.

The program will begin at 9:30 in the forenoon and will last until 3 o'clock. From 3 o'clock until five there will be an open air meeting in the court house park at which our friends from the rural districts, parents of the school children participating in the exercises, will be entertained by the Commercial club and the Retail Merchants' Association. The Normal school band will give a concert during this time.

Superintendent McDonald is arranging for participants from 15 rural schools. The Commercial Club will send out invitations to all parents. Superintendent Crocker of the city schools will arrange for the annual exhibit of the public school work to be displayed during this time.

LINOTYPE TRAINED TO PREVARICATE?

Sometimes, and quite often in fact, typographical errors are made by the Monotype machine in the Tribune office, and perhaps if the operator and management did not try to prevent it, the machine would make mistakes all the time. Apparently, from the class of stuff appearing in the Daily Republican, their linotype has grown careless also, but instead of making typographical errors, it makes errors of what should be truthful statements, probably a habit formed from having long been used in printing articles from the dictation of one or two men on the editorial staff of said paper. The erroneous and misleading statements contained in the report of the Flentge case, were probably due to the reckless disposition of the machine.

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TAX PAYER SUBMITS QUESTIONS

Seeks Information as to Conduct of Certain Members of The School Board

WRITES POINTED LETTER

Seems Anxious to Know Answers to Some Questions Which Might Be Embarrassing

EDITOR TRIBUNE:

Doubtless your readers will recall the articles published in the Daily Republican sometime in January, 1913 wherein they deplored the financial condition of our schools and stated that for the first time the school board had to borrow money with which to pay the teachers for the months of November and December, 1912. For this condition of affairs they seemed to place all the blame upon Mr. Andrews, who was then president of the board, and upon Dr. Nettles.

Now let us see what was done in the fall of 1913 when Dr. Schultz was president of the board. The records will show that Dr. Schultz as president of the board gave a note of the district for something like \$3,000.00 and then during the month of December some member of the board made a trip to Jackson and prevailed upon the county collector to turn over the school money due this city which he had collected up to that time, in order to avoid making a second note.

Why did not the Daily Republican inform we tax-payers of the city of the financial condition of the schools the latter part of the year 1913? Is not the board just as responsible under the leadership of President Schultz as it was under the so-called leadership of Mr. Andrews? I think what is a sauce for the goose is also sauce for the gander.

TAXPAYER.

SCHULTZ CRITICIZED BY CITIZEN

Writes Letter Detailing Alleged Failure to Perform Duties According to Requirements

QUESTIONED ACTS CITED

Demands Explanation of Methods Claimed Employed in Use of School Money

EDITOR TRIBUNE:

I noticed in your valuable paper yesterday an article signed "Tax-Payer" in which he referred to the very ugly attacks made upon Mr. Andrews and Dr. Nettles by the Daily Republican, because the school board in the fall of 1912 had to borrow money to pay the salaries of the teachers. The writer of the article yesterday did not go into details and state why the board in 1912 had to borrow money, and for the benefit of your readers and the public in general I would like to make a few statements.

You will remember that at the general election in the spring of 1911 a proposition to issue \$20,000 bonds to buy a school site and erect a building in the north part of the city was voted down, and also at a special election the same proposition was defeated. But the board, at that time led by Dr. Schultz, in order to "put one over" the tax payers, purchased a site for \$4,500 giving a note therefor dated some time in May 1911, made payable to one Mrs. Arnoldi of St. Louis (a sister of Dr. Schultz, which note was paid in January 1912 out of funds levied for the year 1912. Bear in mind that the debt was contracted in one year to be paid out of proceeds from taxes of the following year, a transaction directly in conflict with Sec. 12, Art. X of the Constitution of the State of Missouri. Also if it was a fact that Dr. Schultz gave his personal check to the Treasurer of the board for this \$4,500 would any one be green enough to suppose that it was his own money and not the funds of his sister, Mrs. Arnoldi.

Also the board in 1912 had to expend about \$1,000 for the paving on Independence street along the Lorimer school property. This much in the defense of Mr. Andrews and Dr. Nettles for their action in borrowing money in 1912. What excuse can Dr. Schultz offer for his similar action in 1913. It seems the Daily Republican would like to make it appear that Dr. Schultz and Mr. Thilenius are such fine manipulators of public funds, they can virtually get along without a tax levy. But does their "proposition to increase the annual rate for school purposes," notice of which is found in your paper, look that way.

CITIZEN.

WOMAN TRIES TO END HER LIFE WITH LYE

In a Fit of Anger and Jealousy Takes Spoonful of Concentrated Lye

POISON IS DASHED AWAY

Face is Badly Burned When the Husband and Son Try to Interfere

A determined effort on the part of Mrs. Bertie Gross to commit suicide Sunday evening at about 7:30 was rendered futile by the timely arrival of a physician who promptly administered restoratives and antidotes. It seems that in a fit of jealousy toward her husband, Ed. Gross, the discouraged woman concluded to end her existence.

She and her husband and little boy are living at No. 11A South Spanish street, and it is reported that for some time the family relations have been somewhat strained on account of the wife's contentions that her husband's relations with another woman on South Spanish, whom she designates as Birdie Spray, have been unduly intimate. She attempted to swallow a spoon full of liquified concentrated lye, and but for the timely efforts of her husband and little boy who struck her arm, her efforts would have probably been successful. However, the most of the poison was dashed into her face, causing painful but not necessarily fatal injuries. The aggrieved woman informed the physician that her husband had grown neglectful of her and in fact had packed his clothing and other personal belongings and had them taken to the home of his brother, Charles Gross, who resides at 36 South Spanish street. She also claimed that her husband had stolen a life insurance policy which she held in the Metropolitan, in which her husband was named as beneficiary, which contention he emphatically denied.

As a further ground for complaint Mrs. Gross stated that she had requested her husband to give her \$1.05 the amount she lacked to purchase a ticket to St. Louis where she wished to go to be with her sister, and that in response to the request he abused her and cursed her and refused to give her any money whatsoever.

She seemed bitterly disappointed when she found that her attempt at death was unsuccessful and stated that she would at first opportunity repeat her effort, but when the doctor advised her that she could secure a duplicate of the insurance policy and change the name of the beneficiary she became more hopeful, and at last expressed a desire to live longer.

Policeman Kane and Atchison appeared on the scene at about the time of the arrival of the doctor. The patient is resting easy at this time and no doubt is expressed as to her recovery.

YOUNG VANDEVEN REPORTED ROBBED IN ST. LOUIS

Walter Vandeven, son of John Vandeven, prominent merchant of this city, is reported to have been robbed on a street car in St. Louis Saturday. It was stated that he lost a check for \$3000 and about \$36 in money. Young Vandeven has been engaged in the mercantile business at Talapoose, and his store was burned recently. At the time of the robbery he was in St. Louis for the purpose of adjusting his loss with the fire insurance companies.

KEEP UNSCRUPULOUS MEN OFF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The letter from "Tax Payer," appearing in Friday's edition of the Daily Tribune, contained some very pointed questions, and if same cannot be answered satisfactorily it would seem that the author has started something that everyone interested in the best management of our schools should pay heed to. The matters mentioned are certainly of sufficient importance to merit investigation. Considerable further interest in the matter is manifested in correspondence from "Citizen" to be found in another column of this issue.

From complaints so commonly being expressed, it is hard for one to believe that irregularities do not exist. If it is true that a certain ring or class, unfavorably known to the populace generally of this city, are directing the movements and championing the cause of the members whose actions are questioned, it is time for the good people to get busy and stay busy until reputable and trustworthy men are elected to fill these responsible positions.

MEMBER OF OLD FAMILY IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Relatives Hasten to Residence of Sick Man Whose Condition is Hopeless

HIS LIFE IS DESPAIRED OF

Auto Brings Party From Oakridge and Jackson to be With Relative at Last Moment

Johnson Hinkle, a member of one of the oldest and most highly respected families in the county, is lying at the point of death in this city where he has made his home for several months. Mr. Hinkle is suffering from tuberculosis and his death is expected any time. He is a grandson of Louis Hinkle, a man known throughout the entire county as a financier and philanthropist.

Charles Penney the auto man from Oak Ridge left that place Thursday morning, bringing Walter Hinkle a brother of the sick man, and Peter Hinkle, his uncle, to this city in response to advices they received from local physicians. The party was joined at Jackson by Jacob L. Hinkle another who accompanied them to this place that they might see their unfortunate relative before his death.

Peter Hinkle is one of the most prominent merchants in the county, having succeeded his father in the mercantile business in Oak Ridge. Jacob Hinkle is prominent in business circles at Jackson, and Walker Hinkle is a prominent carpenter and contractor in Oak Ridge.

It is said that no hopes are entertained for the recovery of their unfortunate kinsman, who was formerly employed in this city as a blacksmith.

TOLL REPEAL NOW CERTAIN IN HOUSE

Bill's Backers Expect to Win on Vote as Soon as it Can Be Forced

SPEAKER TO TAKE FLOOR

Victory Over Party Leaders Added Confidence to Administration's Assured Triumph

(WNU News Service.)

Washington, March 30.—The legislative battle over the repeal of the free tolls provision of the Panama canal act was renewed in the house, where administration supporters, flushed by their victory in the opening contest, were jubilantly predicting that they would win in a vote on the repeal bill itself in that body.

The contest in the house was largely of an oratorical character, although administration and anti-administration supporters continued their efforts to strengthen their forces for the final struggle, which is expected next Tuesday or Wednesday. When consideration of the repeal bill was resumed many members for and against the proposition were prepared to discuss it.

The alignment of the contending forces in the house remains practically unchanged. Representative Adamson, leading the fight for the repeal, declared the Sims bill would pass by a large majority. He predicted that the vote on the adoption of the special Panama canal tolls exemption—207 to 176—would be materially increased in favor of the repeal forces in the final vote on the bill.

Revolt Leaders Active.

Representative Underwood, the majority leader, Representative Fitzgerald, Minority Leader Mann and other prominent members leading the revolt against the administration forces brought every effort to bear against the Sims bill.

They maintained a continuous attack, interrupting and questioning the speakers favoring the repeal. Speaker Clark has announced his intention to speak against the bill Tuesday.

UNHAPPINESS LAID TO WIVES

A Lack of Knowledge of the Value of Money—Extravagance Said to Break Up Homes.

(WNU News Service.)

Detroit, March 30.—"A lack of knowledge of the value of money on the part of women is the most powerful enemy to domestic happiness that exists," declared John Arthur Lacy of the domestic relations court when he made public figures showing that 26 per cent of the cases that come before his court are due to extravagance on the part of wives. Other causes, according to Judge Lacy, are as follows: Faults of the husbands alone, 25 per cent; faults of both man and wife, with extravagance of the wife as the principal trouble, 49 per cent.